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3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

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8 THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2017

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10 Louisiana State Capitol

11 House Committee Room 1

12 900 North Third Street

13 Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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17 TIME: 10:00 A.M.

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1 APPEARANCES

2 RONNIE JONES

Chairman (At Large)

3 June 30, 2019

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5 FRANKLIN AYRES BRADFORD

(Economic Planner)

6 Fifth Congressional District

June 30, 2019

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8 MARK STIPE

(Attorney)

9 Seventh Congressional District

June 30, 2020

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11 JAMES SINGLETON

(Public/Business Administration)

12 Second Congressional District

June 30, 2020

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14 CLAUDE D. JACKSON

(At large)

15 Fourth Congressional District

June 30, 2018

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17 ROBERT W. GASTON, III

(At Large)

18 Sixth Congressional District

June 30, 2021

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20 JULIE BERRY

(CPA)

21 Third Congressional District

June 30, 2018 (Arrived after roll call)

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23 RICHARD PATRICK

(Law Enforcement)

24 Fifth Congressional District

Appointed January 27, 2017

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1 APPEARANCES CONTINUED

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3 COLONEL KEVIN W. REEVES

Superintendent

4 Louisiana State Police

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6 MICHAEL LEGENDRE

Office of Charitable Gaming

7 Director

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9 LANA TRAMONTE

Executive Assistant

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11 TRUDY SMITH

Confidential Assistant

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Baton Rouge Court Reporters

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1 I. CALL TO ORDER

2 CHAIRMAN JONES: Good morning and
3 welcome to the August meeting of the
4 Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

5 Miss Tramonte, would you call the
6 roll.

7 THE CLERK: Chairman Jones?

8 CHAIRMAN JONES: Here.

9 THE CLERK: Mr. Bradford?

10 MR. BRADFORD: Here.

11 THE CLERK: Mr. Stipe?

12 MR. STIPE: Here.

13 THE CLERK: Mr. Singleton?

14 MR. SINGLETON: Here.

15 THE CLERK: Mr. Jackson?

16 MR. JACKSON: Here.

17 THE CLERK: Mr. Gaston?

18 MR. GASTON: Here.

19 THE CLERK: Miss Berry? [No
20 response.]

21 Mr. Patrick?

22 MR. PATRICK: Here.

23 THE CLERK: Colonel Reeves?

24 COLONEL REEVES: Here.

25 THE CLERK: Secretary Robinson?

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1 MR. LEGENDRE: Michael Legendre here
2 for Secretary Robinson.

3 CHAIRMAN JONES: We have a quorum
4 and we may conduct business.

5 I understand Miss Berry is stuck in
6 traffic somewhere over around Port Allen
7 so she will be joining us midstream or at
8 some point.

9 Before we go to public comment, I
10 just wanted to introduce Colonel Reeves
11 to those of you in the audience who don't
12 know the new Superintendent of the State
13 Police and Deputy Secretary for Public
14 Safety Services. He's -- I asked him to
15 be with us today just so he could see
16 what's -- what we do here, and I'm sure
17 in the future Colonel Noel will be here
18 or Major Paul Edmonson, who is also in
19 the audience.

20 Paul has been appointed as the --
21 over the Division, Gaming Enforcement in
22 State Police, and we're glad to have
23 Paul. Paul has two previous terms of
24 service in gaming, so even though the
25 environment has changed a little bit

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1 since he was there, he has familiarity
2 with it, and Colonel Noel isn't going
3 anywhere so I think we've got a great
4 team.

5 But we're glad to have Colonel
6 Reeves here. I don't know if he'll ever
7 come back and see us again, but I managed
8 to get him here this morning. So
9 welcome, Colonel.

10 COLONEL REEVES: Thank you very much
11 for having me.

12 CHAIRMAN JONES: At this point --
13 pardon me?

14 MR. GASTON: You forgot Major Doug
15 Cain.

16 CHAIRMAN JONES: I can never forget
17 Doug. Glad to have you here, also, Doug.

18 II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

19 CHAIRMAN JONES: At this point, we
20 call for anyone for public comment for
21 anything on the agenda today.

22 III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

23 CHAIRMAN JONES: There being no
24 public comment, we'll move to approval of
25 the minutes. Do I have a motion to waive

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1 reading and approve the minutes of the
2 April Board Meeting?

3 MR. GASTON: So moved, Mr. Chairman.

4 CHAIRMAN JONES: Gaston, Bradford.
5 Any objection? Without objection, the
6 minutes are adopted.

7 IV. REVENUE REPORTS

8 CHAIRMAN JONES: We will now call
9 for revenue reports. Good morning.

10 MS. JACKSON: Good morning, Chairman
11 Jones, Board Members. My name is Donna
12 Jackson with the Louisiana State Police
13 Gaming Enforcement Division.

14 The 15 operating riverboats
15 generated Adjusted Gross Receipts of
16 \$179,942,737 in July. This total
17 represents an increase of \$18 million or
18 11 percent from last month, and an
19 increase of \$1.8 million or 1 percent
20 from last July. During July, the State
21 collected fees totaling \$38,687,689.

22 Next is a summary of the July 2017
23 gaming activity for Harrah's New Orleans
24 found on page three. During July,
25 Harrah's generated \$23,990,638 in gross

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1 gaming revenue, an increase of \$1.7
2 million or 7.6 percent from last month,
3 and an increase of \$1.5 million or 7
4 percent from last July. During July, the
5 State received \$5,095,890 in minimum
6 daily payments.

7 Next I will present the revenues for
8 Slots at the Racetracks. During July,
9 the four racetrack facilities combined
10 generated Adjusted Gross Receipts of
11 \$31,516,326, an increase of \$2.5 million
12 or 8.4 percent from last month, and an
13 increase from July 2016 of \$870,000 or
14 2.8 percent.

15 During July, the State collected
16 \$4,781,027 in fees. Overall in July,
17 Riverboats, Land-based and Slots at the
18 Racetracks combined generated \$235.5
19 million in AGR and \$48.6 million in state
20 fees. These revenues represent an
21 increase from July 2016 of 2 percent.

22 Are there any questions before I
23 present the Harrah's New Orleans employee
24 information?

25 MR. GASTON: Yes ma'am. It appears

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1 Harrah's is overcoming the smoking thing
2 with these types of revenues.

3 CHAIRMAN JONES: Pull your
4 microphone down.

5 MR. GASTON: It looks like Harrah's
6 has picked up from the loss -- the
7 initial loss from the smoking ordinance
8 in New Orleans; is that correct? Am I
9 now reading or am I not?

10 MS. JACKSON: This was a stronger
11 month. July is typically strong -- one
12 of the strongest months, if not the
13 highest. I haven't been monitoring that
14 specifically. Someone from Harrah's may
15 have more information on that, but it is
16 a better month.

17 MR. GASTON: Okay. Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you. I have
19 to say, I don't ever remember having a
20 report where there's no red on this page.
21 This is good. I've been told by several
22 general managers that this was going to
23 be a good month, and it certainly appears
24 that it was in terms of revenue for the
25 properties and revenue for the State.

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1 MS. JACKSON: For riverboats, that
2 does represent the third highest ever.

3 CHAIRMAN JONES: Wow.

4 MS. JACKSON: Right around 179 is
5 the third highest.

6 CHAIRMAN JONES: That's remarkable.
7 That's great. That's good news, thank
8 you. Proceed.

9 MS. JACKSON: Harrah's New Orleans
10 is required to maintain at least 2,400
11 employees and a bi-weekly payroll of
12 \$1,750,835. This report covers pay

13 periods in July 2017.

14 For the first pay period, the
15 Division verified 2,595 employees with a
16 payroll of \$2,158,000. For the second
17 pay period, the Division verified 2,585
18 employees with a payroll of \$2,148,000.
19 Therefore, Harrah's met the employment
20 criteria during July.

21 CHAIRMAN JONES: Questions, Board
22 Members? There are no questions.

23 MS. JACKSON: Thank you.

24 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you very
25 much.

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1 Jim.

2 MR. BOSSIER: Good morning, Chairman
3 Jones and Board Members. Excuse me.

4 CHAIRMAN JONES: Good morning.

5 MR. BOSSIER: Good morning, Chairman
6 Jones and Board Members. My name is Jim
7 Bossier with the Louisiana State Police
8 Gaming Enforcement Division here to
9 report video gaming statistics for July
10 2017 as shown on page one of your
11 handout.

12 Twenty-nine new video gaming
13 licenses were issued during July:
14 Twenty-two bars and seven restaurants.
15 Eleven new applications were received by

16 the Gaming Enforcement Division during
17 July and are currently pending in the
18 field: Eight bars, two restaurants and
19 one device owners. The Gaming
20 Enforcement Division assessed \$1,250,
21 collected \$3,750 in fines during July.
22 There are currently \$1,000 in outstanding
23 fines. Please refer to page two of your
24 handout.

25 There are presently 13,041 video

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1 gaming devices activated at 1,749
2 locations. Net device revenue for July
3 2017 was \$46.2 million dollars, an
4 \$800,000, or 1.7 percent, decrease when
5 compared to June 2017, and no change when
6 compared to July 2016.

7 Net device revenue so far for fiscal
8 year 2018 is \$46.2 million, no change
9 from fiscal year 2017. Page three of
10 your handout shows a comparison of net
11 device revenue.

12 Total franchise fees collected
13 during July 2017 were \$13.8 million, a
14 \$300,000 decrease when compared to June
15 2017, and no change when compared to July
16 2016. Total franchise fees collected for
17 fiscal year 2017 are \$13.8 million, no
18 change when compared to fiscal year 2016.

19 Page four of your handout shows a
20 comparison of franchise fees.

21 Does anybody have any questions?

22 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board members, any
23 questions? There are no questions.

24 MR. BOSSIER: Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you, Jim.

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1 V. COMPLIANCE REPORTS

2 CHAIRMAN JONES: Miss Brown will
3 present the Compliance Reports. Good
4 morning.

5 MS. BROWN: Good morning.

6 Good morning, Chairman Jones, Board
7 Members. I'm Mesa Brown, Assistant
8 Attorney General. Today I'll present the
9 staff reports on riverboat and racetrack
10 casino licensees' compliance with
11 employment and procurement conditions for
12 the second quarter of 2017. I'll begin
13 with the riverboats.

14 The second quarter reports are taken
15 from figures reported by the 15 operating
16 riverboats to the Louisiana Gaming
17 Control Board. In the second quarter of
18 2017, approximately 14,097 people were
19 employed by the riverboat industry. Of
20 that number, 13,793 were Louisiana
21 residents, 8,699 were minorities and

22 8,002 were women.

23 Five licensees achieved total
24 compliance this quarter, and they are:

25 Golden Nugget, L'Auberge Casino & Hotel

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1 Baton Rouge, Boomtown New Orleans, Belle
2 of Baton Rouge Casino and Isle of Capri
3 St. Charles.

4 Next I'll address employment. Five
5 licensees did not meet their total
6 employment goals. They are DiamondJacks
7 Casino & Resort, who achieved 418 out of
8 a goal of 650; Hollywood achieved 406 out
9 of a goal of 450; Amelia Belle achieved
10 319 out of 325; Boomtown Casino Bossier
11 achieved 496 out of 650, and Eldorado
12 Resort Shreveport achieved 1,073 out of
13 1,200.

14 All licensees either met or exceeded
15 their goals in all of the sub-categories
16 under the main category of employment
17 with the exception of Treasure Chest, who
18 failed to meet its female employment
19 goal. It achieved 50.1 out of a goal of
20 51.86.

21 Next I'll address procurement. The
22 licensees are grouped according to three
23 sub-categories which appear on your
24 report. They are Louisiana, minority and

25 female procurement. Under Louisiana

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1 procurement, two licensees did not
2 achieve compliance with its voluntary
3 conditions. Those licensees are
4 Margaritaville Resort Casino, who
5 achieved 79.5 out of a goal of 90
6 percent, and L'Auberge Lake Charles
7 achieved 77.9 of out 80 percent.

8 Minority procurement, four licensees
9 did not achieve compliance with their
10 voluntary goals, and they are Sam's Town,
11 who achieved 9.5 out of 25 percent;
12 Horseshoe achieved 20.4 out of 35;
13 Treasure Chest achieved 27.5 out of 30,
14 and Eldorado achieved 17.5 out 25
15 percent.

16 With female procurement, all
17 licensees either met or exceeded their
18 female procurement goals this quarter
19 with the exception of Horseshoe Casino &
20 Hotel, who achieved 34.5 out of 35
21 percent.

22 Are there any questions regarding
23 the riverboats?

24 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board Members, any
25 questions on employment or procurement?

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1 MR. BRADFORD: I have a question.

2 CHAIRMAN JONES: Mr. Bradford.

3 MR. BRADFORD: Mesa, all these goals
4 are voluntary; is that correct? And they
5 were agreed upon many years ago?

6 MS. BROWN: That's correct, at the
7 time of application.

8 MR. BRADFORD: And has there ever
9 been a formal process for reevaluating
10 those goals and adjusting them?

11 MS. BROWN: No.

12 MR. BRADFORD: I mean, that may be
13 something we want to look at.

14 CHAIRMAN JONES: That matter has
15 been brought up at task force meetings
16 and the difficulty has always been what
17 you started your comments off as. These
18 were the original goals that were set in
19 a competitive process that our
20 predecessor board and the current board
21 made decisions on based on, well I can --
22 I can employ more Louisiana people than
23 you can, so those factored in.

24 But since that time, some of these
25 properties have moved. You know, one

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1 sank after Katrina, and that was in
2 Amelia; but they took the demographics of
3 the Jefferson and Orleans Parish area
4 with them to Morgan City. Same thing,

5 the Flamingo moved from Orleans Parish
6 to -- to Shreveport and it's now
7 Eldorado, but they took their goal with
8 them.

9 So there's a process for employment
10 where licensees will apply to the Board,
11 meet with our staff and say, this is what
12 the revenue is now; this is how the
13 customers have changed in terms of
14 numbers. We need to request a reduction
15 in the employment of, you know, 50
16 employees; and that will come before the
17 Board, and we've approved that in the
18 past. We've had that discussion.

19 I'm not aware -- Trudy, can you help
20 me on this? Has there ever been -- has
21 anyone ever approached the Board on
22 minority or procurement issues for
23 changing the goals?

24 MS. SMITH: Not officially. That --
25 you know, it's been discussion about it,

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1 but there's no formal request that's been
2 made. Also, the employment numbers --
3 the total employment numbers are a
4 condition in the license so that has to
5 come before the Board to reduce those
6 total numbers, but as far as the
7 breakdown of minority, woman -- you know,

8 procurement, that has not come before the
9 Board.

10 CHAIRMAN JONES: The procurement
11 numbers aren't part of the conditions
12 though, are they?

13 MS. SMITH: No.

14 CHAIRMAN JONES: No.

15 MS. SMITH: Well, they are -- they
16 are --

17 CHAIRMAN JONES: Are they?

18 MS. SMITH: Yeah, they are in the
19 conditions, but they're listed as goals.
20 The employment -- the total number of
21 employment is a specific --

22 CHAIRMAN JONES: Microphone.

23 MS. SMITH: -- a specific condition
24 that we "shall," and then the -- the --
25 you know, if I'm correct, Mesa, the

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1 procurement numbers and the minority
2 numbers are listed as goals in the
3 conditions.

4 MS. BROWN: I believe that's
5 correct.

6 MS. SMITH: Yes.

7 CHAIRMAN JONES: So that's kind of a
8 long answer to your question, but that's
9 part of the ongoing discussion, and at
10 some time, I think, that's going to have

11 to be addressed because I think it's -- I
12 think there's a -- we want the economic
13 development to be spread throughout the
14 state for Louisiana citizens, for
15 minorities, you know, female employment.
16 All of those things are important, but I
17 think at the appropriate time that's
18 going to have to be revisited. I don't
19 expect the task force to make a
20 recommendation -- Riverboat Gaming Task
21 Force to make a recommendation on that
22 this year, but it's something, I think
23 moving forward, that's going to have to
24 be discussed and perhaps come up with a
25 recommended solution.

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1 MR. BRADFORD: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN JONES: Proceed.

3 MS. BROWN: Thank you.

4 Now I'll begin with the racetrack.

5 In the second quarter of 2017,
6 approximately 1,524 people were employed
7 by the racetrack casino industry. Of
8 that number, 1,248 were Louisiana
9 residents; 792 were minorities and 874
10 were women. Two racetrack casinos
11 achieved total compliance this quarter,
12 and they are Evangeline Downs &
13 Fairgrounds. Delta Downs did not achieve

14 its Louisiana employment condition. It
15 achieved 58.9 out the 80 percent
16 condition, and Louisiana Downs did not
17 achieve its female employment condition.
18 It achieved 53.4 out of 60 percent.

19 CHAIRMAN JONES: Any questions on
20 the racetracks, Board Members? The board
21 is clear.

22 MS. BROWN: Thank you.

23 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you, Mesa.

24 VI. VIDEO GAMING ISSUES

25 A. Consideration of the following

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1 truckstop applications:

2 1. Avondale Gaming, LLC, d/b/a Lucky

3 Dollar Casino - No. 2600517411

4 (new application)

5 CHAIRMAN JONES: We'll now move to

6 Video Gaming Issues. First up is

7 Consideration of the following truckstop

8 applications: Avondale Gaming, LLC,

9 doing business as Lucky Dollar Casino.

10 That's No. 2600517411. This was a new

11 application.

12 Good morning, gentlemen.

13 MR. GATHE: Good morning, Chairman

14 Jones, Members of the Board. I am Jeremy

15 Gathe, Assistant Attorney General,

16 present before the Board in the matter of

17 the original application of Avondale
18 Gaming, LLC, doing business as Lucky
19 Dollar Casino, applying for approval of a
20 Type 5 video draw poker gaming license.

21 The licensed establishment is
22 located at 3110 Highway 90, Avondale,
23 Louisiana, 70094, in Jefferson Parish.

24 The membership interests for Avondale
25 Gaming, LLC, is as follows: Jed A.

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1 Tantillo 50 percent, and Salvadore P.
2 Tantillo, III, 50 percent. Both Jed A.
3 Tantillo and Salvadore P. Tantillo, III,
4 are married but each have separation of
5 property agreements with their respective
6 spouse.

7 Effective June 14th, 2016, Avondale
8 Gaming, LLC, purchased the truckstop
9 business and business assets, goodwill,
10 stock and inventory of Harlaicyn, LLC,
11 doing business as Avondale Truckstop, a
12 previously licensed qualified truckstop
13 facility.

14 Prior to the sale, Harlaicyn, LLC,
15 leased the land and buildings comprising
16 the qualified truckstop facility from
17 Avondale Container Yard, LLC. That lease
18 is now terminated. The applicant now
19 leases the buildings from Avondale

20 Container Yard, LLC. The restaurant and
21 convenience store is operated by the
22 applicant.

23 On June 27th, 2016, the applicant
24 entered into a video draw poker device
25 agreement with Little Deuces, Inc., which

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1 is owned by the Jed A. Tantillo 50
2 percent and Salvadore P. Tantillo, III,
3 50 percent.

4 Master Trooper James Cannon
5 inspected the truckstop facility and
6 conducted suitability investigations of
7 the associated persons and is present
8 this morning to report his findings to
9 the Board.

10 MASTER TROOPER CANNON: Good
11 morning, Chairman Jones and Members of
12 the Board. I'm Trooper James Cannon.

13 I conducted a suitability
14 investigation and updated background
15 checks on all relevant persons associated
16 with the application. Jed A. Tantillo
17 and Salvadore P. Tantillo, III,
18 previously submitted to suitability
19 investigations in connection with other
20 video poker licenses.

21 An on-site inspection was conducted,
22 and it was determined that the

23 establishment meets all criteria set
24 forth in video gaming law as a qualified
25 truckstop facility. All required

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1 licenses and permits were posted valid at
2 the time of inspection.

3 The establishment consists of at
4 least five contiguous acres, specifically
5 10.211 acres. As the applicant purchased
6 the business from Harlaicyn, LLC, d/b/a
7 Avondale Truckstop, they are not subject
8 to the rule that they must be one mile
9 from a school, church, playground,
10 synagogue, public library, residences and
11 buildings on the National Historic
12 Registry.

13 I found no information to preclude
14 the issuance of a Type 5 video draw poker
15 gaming license to Avondale Gaming, LLC,
16 doing business as Lucky Dollar Casino, or
17 to preclude Jed A. Tantillo and Salvadore
18 P. Tantillo, III, from continuing to
19 participate in the gaming industry.

20 MR. GATHE: The Office of the
21 Attorney General has reviewed the file
22 prepared by the Office of State Police,
23 and the information contained therein
24 would not preclude the issuance of a Type
25 5 license to Avondale Gaming, LLC, doing

1 business as Lucky Dollar Casino.

2 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board Members, any
3 questions for Jeremy or Trooper Cannon?

4 [No response.]

5 Do I have a motion to --

6 MR. SINGLETON: Move approval.

7 CHAIRMAN JONES: Mr. Singleton,
8 second by Mr. Patrick.

9 Any objection to approve the
10 application and issue the license? [No
11 response.]

12 Without objection, it is so ordered.

13 MR. GATHE: Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you very
15 much.

16 2. LTSKC, Inc., d/b/a Fat Tuesday's Casino -
17 No. 2400513932 (transfer of interest)

18 CHAIRMAN JONES: We now move to
19 transfers of interest in the video poker
20 license. First up is LTSKC, Inc., doing
21 business as Fat Tuesday's Casino, No.
22 2400513932. This is a transfer of
23 interest.

24 Good morning.

25 MR. PICOU: Good morning, Chairman

1 Jones and Board Members. I'm Assistant
2 Attorney General Charlie Picou. Here

3 with me is Criminal Investigator Glenn
4 Verrett of Louisiana State Police. We're
5 present before the Board today in the
6 matter of the transfer of stock in LTSKC,
7 Inc., doing business as Fat Tuesday's
8 Casino, which holds a Type 5 video draw
9 poker gaming license.

10 The licensed establishment is
11 located at 25394 Highway 1 South,
12 Plaquemine, Louisiana, in Iberville
13 Parish.

14 On or about December 31st, LTSKC,
15 Inc., redeemed Joseph Kunstler's 7.895
16 percent and Charles Newton's 7.895
17 percent shares of the stock in the
18 licensee. The redeemed shares were
19 distributed evenly among the remaining
20 shareholders; thereby making Ivan Cabrera
21 and Thomas Parsons each 50 percent owners
22 of the licensee.

23 Criminal Investigator Glenn Verrett
24 will now present his findings to the
25 Board.

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1 TROOPER VERRETT: Good morning,
2 Mr. Chairman and Board Members. I'm
3 Investigator Glenn Verrett with Louisiana
4 State Police Gaming Enforcement Division.

5 Following the licensee's

6 notification to the Division regarding
7 the transfer of stock, I conducted an
8 investigation of the matter. Ivan
9 Cabrera, Thomas Parsons and their
10 respective spouses, Jennifer Cabrera and
11 Ethel Parsons, had previously met
12 suability on multiple occasions.

13 No information was found that would
14 preclude these individuals or the
15 licensee from continuing to participate
16 in the video gaming industry.

17 MR. PICOU: The Office of the
18 Attorney General has reviewed the file
19 prepared by the Office of State Police
20 and has found no information that would
21 preclude the approval of the transfer.

22 CHAIRMAN JONES: Mr. Stipe for a
23 question.

24 MR. STIPE: The two claimants in
25 this that are -- whose ownership is being

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1 eliminated owned a little less than 16
2 percent?

3 MR. PICOU: Correct.

4 MR. STIPE: And if I'm understanding
5 your memo, there was an allegation that
6 they were improperly distributed shares.
7 It sounds like their interest was being
8 diluted.

9 MR. PICOU: Right. They were
10 claiming that there was a previous
11 shareholder that owned 5 percent; and at
12 some point, he sold his shares, and the
13 claimants in this suit were claiming that
14 the remaining shareholders were -- had
15 improperly pre-distributed those shares.
16 And, basically, they were just looking
17 for documents to examine and inspect in
18 claiming improper dealings and breach of
19 duty to the corporation, so the
20 shareholder delivered the suit.

21 MR. STIPE: But currently our -- the
22 records we've been given reflect that
23 they owned -- or at the time of the suit
24 that filed, I suppose, a little less than
25 16 percent; is that correct?

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1 MR. PICOU: Correct, the two
2 claimants combined owned --

3 MR. STIPE: Not withstanding that
4 allegation, is there anything in your
5 investigation that undercut the filings
6 they had made with us regarding ownership
7 percentage?

8 TROOPER VERRETT: No, sir.

9 MR. STIPE: All right.

10 CHAIRMAN JONES: Satisfied?

11 MR. STIPE: Yes.

12 CHAIRMAN JONES: Any other
13 questions? [No response.]
14 Do I have a motion to approve the
15 transfer?
16 MR. GASTON: I move, Mr. Chairman.
17 CHAIRMAN JONES: Dr. Gaston.
18 MR. STIPE: Second.
19 CHAIRMAN JONES: By Mr. Stipe.
20 Any objection? [No response.]
21 Without objection, the transfer is
22 approved.
23 MR. PICOU: Thank you.
24 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you.
25 3. St. Martin Truck and Casino Plaza, d/b/a St.

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1 Martin Truck and Casino Plaza - No. 5000516580
2 (transfer of interest)
3 CHAIRMAN JONES: Next up is
4 St. Martin Truck and Casino. Yes,
5 St. Martin Truck Stop and Casino Plaza
6 doing business as St. Martin Truck and
7 Casino Plaza, No. 5000516580. This is a
8 transfer of interest.
9 Good morning.
10 MR. PITRE: Good morning, Chairman,
11 Board Members. I'm Assistant Attorney
12 Earl Pitre, Jr., appearing before the
13 Board in the matter of the transfer of
14 membership interest of St. Martin Truck

15 and Casino Plaza, LLC, doing business as
16 St. Martin Truck and Casino Plaza.

17 The licensed establishment is
18 located at 1339 South Evangeline Thruway
19 in Broussard, Louisiana, located in
20 St. Martin Parish.

21 On December 31st, 2015, Bryan Bush,
22 III, and Kerry Denny each donated 7.5
23 units to Bernard Terradot. These 15
24 units represent .75 percent membership
25 interest in the licensee.

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1 On June 30th, 2016, Bryan Bush, III,
2 and is Kerry Denny each donated another
3 7.5 units to Bernard Terradot. These 15
4 units represent .75 percent membership
5 interest in the licensee. As a result of
6 these transfers, Bernard Terradot
7 received a total of 30 units representing
8 a 1.5 percent membership interest in the
9 licensee. Therefore, the membership
10 interest in the licensee after the
11 transfer is as follows: Bryan Bush, III,
12 with 49.25 percent; Kerry Denny with
13 49.25 percent, and Bernard Terradot with
14 1.5 percent.

15 Trooper Mindi Keith conducted an
16 investigation of the transfers of
17 membership interest. She also conducted

18 an updated suability check on Bernard
19 Terradot. She is here this morning to
20 report Office of State Police's findings
21 to the Board.

22 TROOPER KEITH: Good morning,
23 Chairman Jones, Members of the Board.

24 CHAIRMAN JONES: Morning.

25 TROOPER KEITH: I investigated the

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1 transfers of membership interest to
2 Bernard Terradot. Although Bernard
3 Terradot has less than 5 percent
4 membership interest in the licensee, he
5 will be the manager of the licensed
6 establishment. He previously submitted
7 to suability on another license.

8 I conducted an updated suability
9 check on Bernard Terradot. I found no
10 information that would preclude the
11 participation of Bernard Terradot or the
12 continued licensing of St. Martin Truck
13 and Casino Plaza, LLC, doing business as
14 St. Martin Truck and Casino Plaza.

15 MR. PITRE: The Office of the
16 Attorney General has reviewed the file
17 and found no information to preclude
18 approval of the transfers.

19 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board Members, any
20 questions?

21 MR. GASTON: Mr. Chairman.

22 CHAIRMAN JONES: Yes.

23 MR. GASTON: The gentlemen with 1.5

24 percent has a lot of power if there

25 should be a squabble between the two at

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1 49.25. I just wanted to insert that, you

2 know, empirical evidence.

3 CHAIRMAN JONES: There's no

4 question --

5 MR. GASTON: A lot of free meals

6 coming.

7 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you for that.

8 Do I have a motion to approve the

9 transfer?

10 MR. PATRICK: Move.

11 CHAIRMAN JONES: Mr. Patrick.

12 MR. BRADFORD: So moved.

13 CHAIRMAN JONES: Second by

14 Mr. Bradford.

15 Any objection? [No response.]

16 Without objection, the transfer is

17 approved. Thank you.

18 4. Cash Magic Berwick, LLC, d/b/a Hollywood Truck

19 Plaza & Casino - No. 5103517058 (transfer of

20 interest)

21 CHAIRMAN JONES: Next up is -- and

22 final video poker issue is -- Cash Magic

23 Berwood, LLC, doing business as Hollywood

24 Truck Plaza & Casino, No. 5103517058.

25 Good morning again.

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1 MR. PITRE: Chairman Jones and Board

2 Members, again, Assistant Attorney

3 General Earl Pitre, Jr., appearing

4 before the Board in the matter of the

5 transfer of 100 percent of the membership

6 interest in Cash Magic Berwick, LLC,

7 doing business Hollywood Truck Plaza &

8 Casino.

9 The licensed establishment is

10 located a 2051 Highway 90 East in

11 Berwick, Louisiana, and is located in

12 St. Mary Parish.

13 On February 28th, 2017, Jacobs

14 Entertainment, Incorporated, acquired 100

15 percent of the membership interest of the

16 licensee from Gameco Holdings,

17 Incorporated. Jacobs Investments,

18 Incorporated, owns 100 percent of Jacobs

19 Entertainment, Incorporated, and 100

20 percent of Gameco Holdings, Incorporated.

21 Jacobs Incorporated is owned by the

22 Jacobs Family Control Trust, 9.05

23 percent; Jacobs Family Economic Trust

24 with 39.83 percent; Jeffrey P. Jacobs

25 Family 2012 Irrevocable Trust with 13.91

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1 percent, and Jeffrey P. Jacobs with 37.21
2 percent.

3 Criminal Investigator Glenn Verrett
4 conducted the updated checks on the
5 relevant persons associated with the
6 licensee and also conducted an
7 investigation of the transfer of
8 membership interest. He is present today
9 and will present the State Police's
10 findings to the Board.

11 TROOPER VERRETT: Again, good
12 morning, Mr. Chairman, Board Members,
13 Investigator Glenn Verrett, Louisiana
14 State Police Gaming Enforcement Division.

15 I conducted updated criminal checks
16 on the relevant persons associated with
17 this licensee: Jeffrey P. Jacobs, Lynda
18 L. Jacobs, Claire L. Jacobs, Caroline M.
19 Jacobs, Renee E. Jacobs, Hannah R.
20 Jacobs, John R. East, Jr., Thomas E.
21 Hamilton, Stanley R. Gorom, III, Brent A.
22 Kramer, Stan W. Guidroz, Stephen R.
23 Roark, William M. Haynes, Herbert J.
24 Hargraves, III, Scott J. Zeringue, Hernan
25 F. Castro, Judson T. Wood, Kirstie F.

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1 Carrier, Stanley Politano, William H.
2 Stephens and Jeffrey E. VonGlodfelter. I
3 found no information that would preclude

4 them from participating in the video
5 gaming industry. They have previously
6 met suitability under various existing
7 licenses.

8 I also conducted an investigation of
9 the transfer of the membership interest
10 and found no information that would
11 preclude a continuing license of Cash
12 Magic Berwick, LLC, doing business as
13 Hollywood Truck Plaza and Casino.

14 MR. PITRE: The Office of the
15 Attorney General has reviewed the file
16 and found no information that would
17 preclude the approval of the transfers.

18 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board Members, any
19 questions on the transfer? There are no
20 questions.

21 Do I have a motion to approve the
22 transfer? By Miss Berry. We have a
23 second by Mr. Patrick.

24 Any objection? [No response.]
25 Without objection the transfer of

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1 interest is approved. Thank you very
2 much, gentlemen. And let the record
3 reflect that Miss Berry is now in the
4 house.

5 MR. STIPE: Here and making motions.

6 VII. CASINO GAMING ISSUES

7 A. Consideration of Certificate of Compliance for
8 the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming
9 vessel of PNK (Baton Rouge Partnership) d/b/a
10 L'Auberge Baton Rouge - No. R011000801

11 CHAIRMAN JONES: We now move to
12 Casino Gaming Issues, and that is
13 specifically: Consideration of the
14 Certificate of Compliance for the
15 Alternate Inspection of the gaming vessel
16 of PNK (Baton Rouge Partnership) doing
17 business as L'Auberge Baton Rouge, No.
18 RO11000801.

19 Good morning, gentlemen.

20 MR. LEWIS: Good morning.

21 Mr. Chairman, Board Members, I'm
22 Assistant Attorney General Kanick Lewis,
23 Jr., and with me is Mr. John Francic with
24 ABSC. We are here on the matter of the
25 issuance of the Certificate of Compliance

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1 for PNK (Baton Rouge Partnership) doing
2 business as L'Auberge Baton Rouge.

3 On July 7th, 2017, ABSC began the
4 inspection process for the approval of
5 L'Auberge's Certificate of Compliance.

6 For more on this, I now turn the
7 presentation over to Mr. Francic.

8 MR. FRANCIC: Good morning,
9 Chairman, Members of the Board. I'm John

10 Francic with ABS Consulting here to
11 report the annual certification for
12 L'Auberge Baton Rouge Casino.

13 The inspectors Jeff Bullard and Pete
14 Bullard did, on June 27th and 28th,
15 attend L'Auberge Baton Rouge Casino to
16 conduct the annual inspection in
17 accordance with the State of Louisiana's
18 Alternate Inspection Program. The
19 surveyors reviewed the fire protection
20 equipment, life-saving equipment, egress
21 routes, training records and conducted a
22 fire drill. The deficiencies noted are
23 on page eight and nine of your report.
24 The deficiencies were cleared on July
25 12th and the 28th.

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1 The 2017 annual survey, as required
2 by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, is
3 complete today and presents no safety
4 concerns to its patrons or employees
5 onboard the riverboat. It is the
6 recommendation of ABS Consulting that
7 L'Auberge Casino be issued the
8 Certificate of Compliance.

9 CHAIRMAN JONES: Any questions of
10 the A.G.'s Office or our maritime
11 consultants? Do State Police or the
12 licensee have anything to add? [No

13 response.]

14 Very good. Do I have a motion to
15 issue the Certificate of Compliance?

16 MR. GASTON: I'll make a motion,
17 Mr. Chairman.

18 CHAIRMAN JONES: By Dr. Gaston.

19 MR. JACKSON: I'll second.

20 CHAIRMAN JONES: A second by
21 Mr. Jackson.

22 Any objection? Without objection,
23 the motion carries to issue the
24 Certificate of Compliance. Thank you
25 very much.

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1 Yes, sir.

2 MR. GASTON: I see the general
3 manager, Mr. Parenton, in the audience.
4 Mickey, what are your plans for the
5 upcoming event that took place at the
6 City Council Baton Rouge to try to offset
7 what happened in New Orleans? If you
8 would just share with us just for a
9 second. This is the efforts of smoking,
10 Mr. Chairman.

11 CHAIRMAN JONES: I understand.
12 Thank you. Even though it's not on the
13 agenda, we'll hear from Mr. Parenton.

14 MR. PARENTON: I'll be real brief.
15 First of all, we respect the decision of

16 the Metro City Council. You know, we
17 right now currently understand the
18 ordinance. We do have about ten months
19 to figure out ways to make it convenient
20 and comfortable for our smoking guests.
21 So a little early to comment right now,
22 but like we should, we respect the
23 decisions of the Metro Council.

24 MR. GASTON: Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN JONES: Thank you. Thank

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1 you, Mickey.

2 VIII. CONSIDERATION OF SETTLEMENT/APPEAL IN THE

3 FOLLOWING:

4 1. In Re: St. Martin Truck and Casino Plaza d/b/a

5 St. Martin Truck and Casino Plaza -

6 No. 5000516580

7 CHAIRMAN JONES: Okay. We now move

8 to Consideration of Settlements and

9 Appeals. First up, excuse me, is a

10 proposed settlement in regard to

11 St. Martin Truck and Casino Plaza doing

12 business as St. Martin Truck and Casino

13 Plaza, No. 5000516580. This is a

14 proposed settlement.

15 MR. LEWIS: Good morning, Chairman

16 Jones, Members of the Board, I'm

17 Assistant Attorney General Kanick Lewis,

18 Jr., here in the matter of St. Martin

19 Truck and Casino Plaza, LLC, doing
20 business as St. Martin Truck and Casino
21 Plaza.

22 This settlement addresses the
23 licensee's failure to timely notify the
24 Division of two separate transfers of
25 membership interest. One transfer

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1 occurred on June 30th, 2016, and the
2 other on December 31st, 2015. The
3 Division was not notified until May 9th,
4 2017, when the renewal application was
5 submitted which gave rise to a violation
6 of gaming law. The civil penalty
7 contained in this settlement is \$2,500.
8 The settlement has been signed by the
9 hearing officer and is now before the
10 Board for final approval.

11 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board Members, any
12 questions on the proposed settlement?

13 Mr. Singleton.

14 MR. SINGLETON: How do you come to
15 the determination of -- you know, I see
16 one last month \$750, one \$250, another
17 one, I think, was \$10,000. Now we got
18 one for \$2,500. How do we --

19 CHAIRMAN JONES: I believe it's a
20 schedule, but I'll permit Mr. Kanick to
21 answer that.

22 MR. LEWIS: Yes, Mr. Singleton, this
23 was based on the fact that we have two
24 violations -- two separate violations,
25 transfer of membership interest. One

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1 occurred 11 months -- one wasn't reported
2 unit 11 months later. The other wasn't
3 reported unit 17 months later. Due to
4 that, the nature of the transfer of
5 interest, this person -- the problems
6 that it could possibly cause and the
7 effect that it could have on the Division
8 is the fact that this person could be
9 unsuitable, and the Division is not aware
10 of that information.

11 So based on that fact -- also, this
12 particular licensee had transferred
13 interest previously, and they knew of the
14 time constraints associated with that;
15 and they didn't do that until, like I
16 said, 11 months and 17 months later. And
17 based on the time that was involved, the
18 consideration of \$2,500 was given.

19 CHAIRMAN JONES: Mr. Singleton,
20 they -- they have to take into account
21 all of the circumstances, so sometimes
22 the violation may appear the same as we
23 had in a previous meeting and there's a
24 difference in the amount settled. That's

25 because of the circumstances. They take

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1 into account a number of different
2 circumstances in reaching the settlement.

3 Thank you.

4 Final up on the appeal document is
5 in regards to --

6 MR. LEWIS: Excuse me.

7 CHAIRMAN JONES: I'm sorry. We
8 didn't -- we didn't approve that. I'm
9 sorry.

10 MR. JACKSON: Motion to approve.

11 CHAIRMAN JONES: Yes, we have a
12 motion. Is there a second?

13 MS. BERRY: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN JONES: Miss Berry.

15 Any objection? [No response.]

16 Without objection, the settlement's
17 approved. Pardon me.

18 MR. LEWIS: Thank you.

19 2. In Re: Wakenda S. Tanner - No. PO40051320

20 (appeal)

21 CHAIRMAN JONES: Now we're up for
22 the final matter, the appeal, Wakenda S.
23 Tanner. Is Miss Tanner here this
24 morning? Please come up front.

25 This is No. PO40051320. Have a seat

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1 at the table, Miss Tanner. We're here

2 today because you have appealed the
3 hearing officer's decision, and you may
4 not introduce anything new into the
5 record; in other words, all the Board has
6 all the documents that were introduced at
7 your hearing, okay?

8 MS. TANNER: Okay.

9 CHAIRMAN JONES: So you may not
10 introduce any new evidence before the
11 Board today. All we can do is review the
12 record that is before us, and you're
13 going to have the opportunity now to
14 explain to the Board why you believe that
15 either legally or factually the decision
16 of the hearing officer was incorrect,
17 please.

18 MS. TANNER: He said that I was a
19 threat to the community. I don't feel
20 that I'm a threat to the community. Me
21 and my baby father was having domestic
22 issues. My baby father was abusing me
23 physically and verbally. He was
24 destroying my property, too. Yes, I did
25 put his tires on flat because he put my

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1 tires on flat.

2 I never broke into the house. I
3 don't know they're saying that I
4 burglarized the house because I took his

5 clothes and put them into his vehicle
6 when I put him out.

7 He kicked the door in five or six
8 times, and we had a fight; and I did -- I
9 had the neighbor call the police.

10 CHAIRMAN JONES: Okay. You don't
11 need to go in to all the details of the
12 case. We have that before us. Tell us
13 very narrowly why you believe the
14 decision was incorrect and you're
15 entitled to be licensed.

16 MS. TANNER: I don't feel that I'm a
17 threat to the community. Like I say, I
18 am into church. I volunteer at the
19 homeless shelters.

20 MR. LEWIS: Objection. This is new
21 information.

22 CHAIRMAN JONES: Yeah, you're
23 offering new information.

24 MS. TANNER: But it was just
25 something with my partner, not with the

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1 community, you know, that was happening
2 in my home.

3 CHAIRMAN JONES: Okay. So your
4 position is you're not a -- essentially
5 you're not a threat to the community; is
6 that what I understand?

7 MS. TANNER: Yes, sir.

8 CHAIRMAN JONES: Okay. Mr. Kanick.

9 MR. LEWIS: Chairman Jones, Board
10 Members, this isn't the first time Miss
11 Tanner's been recommended for revocation
12 due to her actions and arrests. It's
13 actually the third time. The first time
14 was in July of 2007 when Miss Tanner was
15 arrested and charged with resisting an
16 officer and public intimidation, which is
17 a crime punishable by more than one year
18 of imprisonment and is also a statutory
19 disqualifier to holding a gaming permit.

20 The 2007 notice alleged that Miss
21 Tanner made an obscene gesture towards an
22 officer; she refused to follow his
23 commands, was belligerent and loud
24 towards the arresting officer, failed to
25 comply with placing her hands on the

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1 vehicle for a weapons pat-down, lied to
2 the officer by saying she didn't have any
3 identification on her when she actually
4 did. She resisted being handcuffed and
5 threatened the officer's job more than
6 once by saying that her uncle was a
7 sheriff and she would have his job.

8 The D.A. eventually reduced the
9 charges to resisting an officer, and at
10 that time, since the statutory

11 disqualifying charge was dismissed, the
12 Division amended its recommendation for
13 revocation to administrative action for a
14 failure to timely report the arrest.

15 The second time was in May of 2014.
16 The basis for that recommendation was
17 that Miss Tanner was arrested for felony
18 simple criminal damage to property,
19 another crime punishable by imprisonment
20 of more than one year and a statutory
21 disqualifier, misdemeanor simple criminal
22 damage to property, simple burglary and
23 entry on or remaining in places after
24 being forbidden. Additionally, one month
25 later she was arrested for domestic abuse

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1 battery.

2 The 2014 notice alleged that on or
3 about May 11th, 2014, Miss Tanner slashed
4 the tires of her ex-boyfriend, Chapel
5 (phonetic) Scott's company vehicle. She
6 also cut the finger of a witness who
7 tried to stop her, and she left a note
8 saying -- and I quote, according to the
9 documentation received -- "This is what
10 cheaters get, ha, ha."

11 On or about May 12, 2014, Miss
12 Tanner sent Mr. Scott a text, along with
13 a derogatory statement which included a

14 picture of herself inside his company
15 vehicle, which she entered without
16 permission and removed his Motorola
17 hand-held radio from the vehicle. Then
18 on May 13th, 2014, witnesses observed her
19 driving away from Mr. Scott's residence
20 and noticed the rear tires of the vehicle
21 were flat again. The witnesses stated
22 that she returned to the scene and
23 commented, again based on documentation,
24 "This going to happen every time he
25 replaces his tires," and she then

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1 attempted to puncture the left tire with
2 a knife -- the left front tire.

3 On June 15th, 2014, according to the
4 documentation obtained by the Division
5 during a custody exchange, on Father's
6 Day no less, Miss Tanner took the keys to
7 Mr. Scott's vehicle. When he tried to
8 retrieve his keys, she caused injury to
9 his shoulder and pulled out several of
10 his dreadlocks. She then threw eggs at
11 his car and removed his license plate.

12 The D.A. dismissed or reduced the
13 charges, and in the end, Miss Tanner
14 plead guilty to misdemeanor simple
15 criminal damage to property. As a result
16 of the reduced and dismissed charges, the

17 Division dismissed its 's recommendation
18 for revocation.

19 That now brings us to the current
20 and third recommendation by the Division
21 that the non-key gaming employee permit
22 issued to Miss Tanner be revoked by the
23 denial of her renewal application. This
24 recommendation is based on the totality
25 of Miss Tanner's arrest record and

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1 charges. There is now a pattern she has
2 established over a decade for the
3 Division and this honorable board to
4 consider.

5 In addition to the arrest previously
6 referred, Miss Tanner was arrested again
7 on February 2nd of this year. She
8 notified Horseshoe Casino that she had
9 been arrested for domestic abuse battery
10 with child endangerment. She voluntarily
11 surrendered herself because she had
12 outstanding warrants for these charges.
13 These arise from incidents on January
14 9th, 2015; wherein, Miss Tanner went to
15 the residence of Mr. Scott and began
16 beating on his front door. Before he
17 could answer, she began beating on the
18 window causing the glass to shatter, and
19 then she fled the scene.

20 A little more than a week later, on
21 January 20th, Miss Tanner confronted and
22 attacked Mr. Scott again. This time he
23 was inside his vehicle. Miss Tanner
24 pulled in front of him, got out of her
25 car, with their three-year-old son, and

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1 told Mr. Scott that he needed to take the
2 child for a week. When the victim told
3 her he couldn't do it, she scratched him
4 under his right eye and punched him in
5 his left eye.

6 Gaming law requires that holders of
7 a gaming permit establish and maintain
8 their suitability to holding a gaming
9 permit. The law also states that
10 evidence relating to an arrest, summons,
11 charge or indictment may be considered by
12 the Board or Division, even if it results
13 in acquittal, deferred adjudication,
14 probation, parole or pardon. The hearing
15 officer, after carefully reviewing all
16 the evidence presented at the hearing,
17 stated in his decision that Wakenda S.
18 Tanner has a history of criminal activity
19 spanning at least 17 years which raises a
20 question of suitability under Louisiana
21 gaming Laws.

22 Miss Tanner has come before the

23 office on two previous times where her
24 suitability for possession of a non-key
25 gaming employee permit was being

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1 questioned. The action at that time,
2 seeking revocation of Miss Tanner's
3 permit due to her then criminal history,
4 had been dismissed. The previous actions
5 for revocation that had been dismissed
6 were based on her criminal history and
7 criminal activity at that particular
8 time. Though the actions seeking
9 revocation at the time were dismissed,
10 the criminal activity that was the basis
11 for those actions is still relevant,
12 along with other -- along with her recent
13 criminal activities. That history of
14 criminal activities is to be considered
15 when seeking a determination whether she
16 may pose a threat to the public interest
17 of this state or to the effective
18 regulation and control of gaming or
19 create to enhance -- or create or enhance
20 the danger of unsuitable, unfair or
21 illegal practices, methods and activities
22 in the conduct of gaming or carrying on
23 in the business or financial arrangements
24 incidental thereto.

25 The earlier recommendations for

1 revocations should have acted as a
2 deterrent to Miss Tanner from continuing
3 any similar behavior; however, looking
4 over her entire record for the past ten
5 years, regardless of the final
6 disposition of the charges, Miss Tanner
7 has shown that she has not benefited from
8 her previous experiences and continues to
9 participate in violent and illegal acts
10 rendering her unsuitable to retain a
11 gaming permit.

12 The Division asserted and the
13 hearing officer ruled that Miss Tanner is
14 unsuitable to hold a gaming permit. The
15 hearing officer was indeed correct to
16 order the denial of her renewal
17 application, and that decision is not
18 contrary to the law or evidence; and as
19 such, we ask that this honorable board
20 affirm his decision.

21 CHAIRMAN JONES: Board Members, are
22 there any questions? There are no
23 questions.

24 Miss Tanner, our job is not to judge
25 your personal life. That's not what

1 we're here for. This Board simply is
2 required to review the -- the documents,

3 the evidence and the decision rendered by
4 the hearing officer and -- and either
5 agree with that decision or disagree with
6 that decision.

7 The actions that the hearing officer
8 took, as far as I can tell in the
9 decision, weren't based on any single or
10 most recent incident, but rather there's
11 a pattern here that concerns me and, I
12 think, would concern this Board. And the
13 public has placed in us a responsibility
14 to maintain integrity and trust and
15 confidence in gaming in Louisiana. This
16 doesn't mean that you're a bad person or
17 that you can't work in Louisiana. But
18 gaming is different, and our standards
19 are very high; and for that reason, I'm
20 going to move that we uphold the hearing
21 officer's decision.

22 Do I have a second?

23 MR. JACKSON: Second.

24 MR. GASTON: I'll second,

25 Mr. Chairman.

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1 CHAIRMAN JONES: By Dr. Gaston.

2 Is there any objection? [No
3 response.]

4 Without objection, the hearing
5 officer's decision is affirmed. Thank

6 you for coming, Miss Tanner.

7 IX. ADJOURNMENT

8 CHAIRMAN JONES: There being no
9 further business on the agenda, do I have
10 a motion for adjournment?

11 MR. JACKSON: Motion to adjourn.

12 CHAIRMAN JONES: By Mr. Jackson,
13 seconded by Mr. Patrick. Without
14 objection, we stand adjourned. Thank you
15 very much.

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1 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

2 I, Brittany E. Vidrine, Certified Court
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5 August 17, 2017, as taken by me in Stenographic
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10 I further certify that I am not an
11 attorney or counsel for any of the parties, that I
12 am neither related to nor employed by any attorney
13 or counsel connected with this action, and that I
14 have no financial interest in the outcome of this
15 action.

16 Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 21st day of
17 September, 2017.

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